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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Applicants: Bennit P. Menez et al. ✓  
Serial No.: 09/745,205 ✓  
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Title: CONTROL SPENDING BASED ON TIME PERIOD ✓  
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**AMENDMENT**

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Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action, mailed December 4, 2002, in connection with the above-identified application, for which a shortened statutory period of response ending March 04, 2003, was set.

**IN THE CLAIMS:**

Please amend the Claims as follows shown in clean form pursuant to 37 C.F.R.

1.121(c)(1)(i). The marked up version of the amendment pursuant to 37 C.F.R.

1.121(c)(1)(ii) immediately follows the amendment.